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A MESSAGE TO GARCIA

We take pleasure in printing the story of "A Message to Garcia," and urge every boy and girl among our family of subscribers to read it. This is the masterpiece of Elbert Hubbard, philosopher and publisher of the Philistine at East Aurora, N. Y. The New York Central R. R. Co. took so much of this message that it caused the publication of over a million copies for distribution among its employees and friends. Elbert Hubbard, with his wife, lost his life in the sinking of the Lusitania during the World War, but his good work still lives and will live for centuries to come. Read it!

A MESSAGE TO GARCIA

By ELBERT HUBBARD

all this Cuban business there is one man stands out on the horizon of my memory like Mars at perihelion.

When war broke out between Spain and the United States, it was very necessary to communicate quickly with the leader of the Insurgents. Garcia was somewhere in the mountain fastnesses of Cuba—no one knew where. No mail or telegraph message could reach him. The President must secure his co-operation, and quickly.

What to do?

Some one said to the President: "There is a fellow by the name of Rowan who will find Garcia for you, if anybody can."

Rowan was sent for and given a letter to be delivered to Garcia. How the "fellow by the name of Rowan" took the letter, sealed it up in an oil-skin pouch, strapped it over his heart, in four days landed by night of the coast of Cuba from an open boat, disappeared into the jungle, and in three weeks came out on the other side of the Island, having traversed a hostile country on foot, and delivered his letter to Garcia—are things I have no special desire now to tell in detail. The point that I wish to make is this: McKinley gave Rowan a letter to be delivered to Garcia; Rowan took the letter and did not ask, "Where is he at?"

By the Eternal! there is a man whose form should be cast in deathless bronze and the statue placed in every college of the land. It is not book-learning young men need, but a stiffening of the vertebral which will cause them to be loyal to a task, to act promptly, concentrate their energies: do the thing—"Carry a message to Garcia."

General Garcia is dead now, but there are other Garcias. No man who has endeavored to carry out an enterprise where many hands were needed, but has been well-nigh appalled at times by the imbecility of the average fan—the inability or unwillingness to concentrate on a thing and do it.

Slipshod assistance, foolish inattention, dowdy indifference, and half-hearted work seem the rule; and no man succeeds, unless by hook or crook or threat, he forces or bribes other men to assist him; or maybe, God in His goodness performs a miracle, and sends him an Angel of Light for an assistant.

You, reader, put this matter to a test: You are sitting now in your office—six clerks are within call. Summon any one and make this request: "Please look in the encyclopedia and make a brief memorandum for me concerning the life of Correggio. Will the clerk quietly say, 'Yes, sir,' and go do the task?"

On your life he will not. He will look at you out of a fishy eye and ask one or more of the following questions?

Who was he?

Which encyclopedia?

Where is the encyclopedia?

Was I hired to do that?

Don't you mean Bismarck?

What's the matter with Charlie doing it?

In he dead?

Is there any hurry?

Shan't I bring you the book and let you look it up yourself?

What do you want to know for?

And I will lay you ten to one that after you have answered the questions, and explained how to find the information, and why you want it,

the clerk will go off and get one of the other clerks to help him try to find Garcia—and then come back and tell you there is no such man. Of course I may lose my bet, but according to the Law of Average I will not. Now, if you are wise, you will not bother to explain to your "assistant" that Correggio is indexed under the C's, not in the K's, but you will smile very sweetly and say, "Never mind," and go look it up yourself. And this incapacity for independent action, this moral stupor, this infamy of the will, this unwillingness to cheerfully catch hold and lift—these are the things that put pure Socialism so far into the future. If men will not act for themselves, what will they do when the benefit of their effort is for all?

Can such a one write a letter to Garcia? "You see that bookkeeper," said the foreman to me in a large factory.

Yes; what about him?"

"Well, he's a fine accountant, but if I'd send him up town on an errand, he might accomplish the errand all right, and on the other hand, might stop at four saloons on the way, and when he got to Main Street would forget what he had been sent for."

Can such a man be entrusted to carry a message to Garcia?

We have recently been hearing much maudlin sympathy expressed for the "down-trodden denizens of the sweat-shop" and the "homeless wanderer searching for honest employment," and with it often go many hard words for the men in power.

Nothing is said about the employer who grows old before his time in a vain attempt to get frowny ne'er-do-wells to do intelligent work; and his long, patient striving after "help" that does nothing but load when his back is turned. In every store and factory there is a constant weeding out process going on. The employer is constantly sending away "help" that have shown their incapacity to further the interests of the business, and others are being taken on. No matter how good the times are, this sorting continues: only, if times are hard and work scarce, the sorting is done finer—but out and forever out the incompetent and unworthy go. It is the survival of the fittest.

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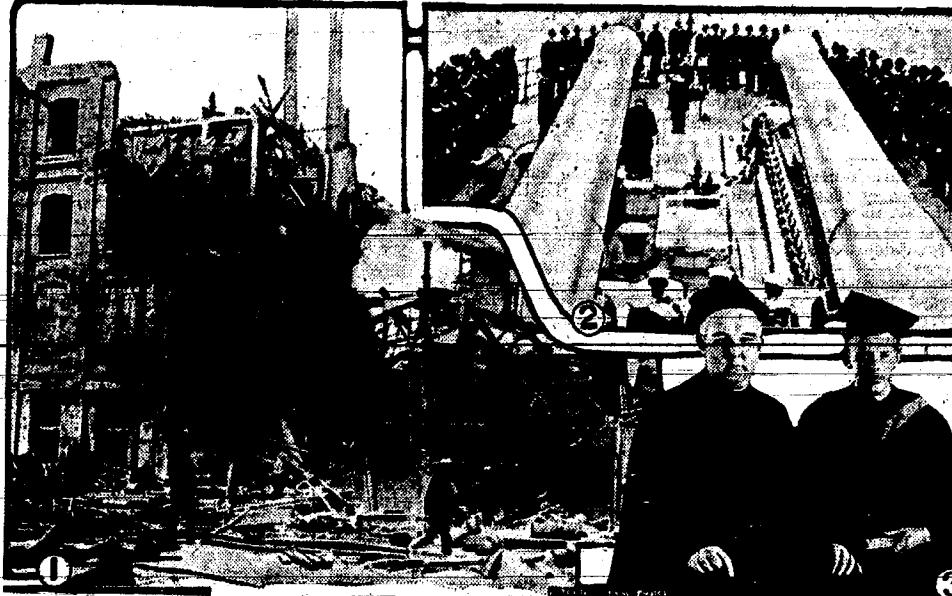
I know one man of really brilliant parts who has not the ability to manage a business of his own, and yet who is absolutely worthless to any one else, because he carries with him constantly the insane suspicion that his employer is oppressing, or intending to oppress, him. He can not give orders, and he will not receive them. Should a message be given him to take to Garcia, his answer would probably be "Take it yourself!"

Tonight this man walks the streets looking for work, and wind whistling through his threadbare coat. No one who knows him dare employ him, for he is a regular firebrand of discontent. He is impervious to reason, and the only thing that can impress him is the toe of a thick-soled Number Nine boot.

Of course I knew that one so mor-

ally deformed is no less to be pitied than a physical cripple—but in our pitying let us drop a tear, too, for the men who are striving to carry on a great enterprise, whose working hours are not limited by the whistle, and whose hair is fast turning white through the struggle to hold in line dowdy indifference, slipshod imbecility, and the heartless ingratitude, which, but for their enterprise, would be both hungry and homeless.

Have I put the matter too strongly? Possibly I have, but when all the world has gone a-slumming I wish to speak a word of sympathy for the man who succeeds—the man who,



1—Industrial buildings destroyed by terrific gas tank explosion in Pittsburgh. 2—View of ceremony aboard flagship Texas in Los Angeles harbor when Admiral H. A. Wiley took command of the United States fleet. 3—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and President Brown of St. Joseph's college, Philadelphia, after "Lindy" had received the degree of master of science in aeronautics.

against great odds, has directed the efforts of others, and having succeeded, finds there's nothing to it; nothing bare board and cloth. I have carried a dinner-pail and worked for day's wages, and I have also been an employer of labor, and I know there is something to be said on both sides. There is no excuse, per se, in poverty; rags are no recommendation, and an employer are not rapacious and high-handed, any more than all poor men are virtuous. My heart goes out to the man who does his work when the "boss" is away, as well as when he is at home. And the man who, when given a letter for Garcia, quietly takes the envelope, without asking any idiotic questions, and with no lurking intention of chucking it into the nearest sewer, or of doing ought else but deliver it, never gets "laid off," nor has to go on strike for higher wages.

Civilization is one long, anxious search for just such individuals. Anything such a man asks shall be granted.

He is wanted in every city, town and village—in every office, shop, store and factory. The world cries out for such; he is needed and needed badly—the man who can "Carry a message to Garcia."

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The passing of Mrs. Olaf N. Sorenson at her home in this city early Monday morning was a shock to her family and friends owing to the brief time she had been ill. And in her passing Grayling loses one of its earliest residents, one who braved the trials of the wilderness in which state this northern country was at the time that lady came here.

Mrs. Sorenson took sick about a month ago and although her illness was not thought serious at first she became steadily worse until the end came Monday morning at 1:10 o'clock.

Karen Marie Pedersen was born in Astrup, Falster, Denmark, March 28, 1860. Having spent her girlhood in her native home she came to America and to Grayling in the spring of 1882.

On coming here she acted as domestic in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hansen or until June 7, 1884 when

she was united in marriage to Olaf N. Sorenson. To the union three sons were born, who with the husband survive.

They are Rev. Alfred E. Sorenson of Seattle, Wash., who arrived last Friday owing to his mother's serious condition, Carl and Herluf of this city. Rev. Sorenson is pastor of the Danish-Lutheran church in Seattle.

Mr. Sorenson has been employed by Salling Harmon Co. since coming to Grayling and since December 1909 has been associated in business with his sons in the firm of Olaf Sorenson & Sons, who operate an up-to-date confectionery and sporting goods store. He never took an active part in the business but let the management to his son Herluf. The Sorensons have always been fine citizens, taking an interest in the civic affairs of this community watching its progress up to its present growth.

Mrs. Sorenson was loved by her family, her home came first, where she and Mr. Sorenson enjoyed each other's companionship and where their years of married life were spent happily. No matter when one went there she was always to be found in her home.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at the home at 2:00 o'clock, with services at the Danish-Lutheran church immediately afterwards. The local business places closed during the hours of the funeral in respect to the deceased, who was one of Grayling's pioneers. Mrs. Sorenson was a member of the Danish Ladies' Aid society and a very loyal and devoted member of the Danish-Lutheran church. Surviving other than those above mentioned is one sister, Kristina Jensen in Denmark. The deceased was also a sister of Christian Peterson, who passed away many years ago.

The Avalanche joins with their many friends in this community in extending their heartfelt sympathy to the remaining members of the family in their sorrow.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE

Service at 9:30 a.m.

Each Sunday American Legion Hall.

Sunday School 10:40 a.m.

All are welcome.

What the World is Looking For

THE WORLD TODAY IS LOOKING FOR MEN WHO ARE NOT FOR SALE; MEN WHO ARE HONEST, SOUND FROM CENTER TO CIRCUMFERENCE, TRUE TO HEART'S CORE; MEN WITH CONSCIENCES AS STEADY AS THE NEEDLE TO THE POLE, MEN WHO WILL STAND FOR THE RIGHT IN THE HEAVENS TOTTER AND THE EARTH REELS; MEN WHO CAN TELL THE TRUTH AND LOOK THE WORLD RIGHT IN THE EYE; MEN WHO NEITHER BRAG NOR RUN; MEN WHO NEITHER FLAG NOR FLINCH; MEN WHO CAN HAVE COURAGE WITHOUT SHOUTING TO IT; MEN IN WHOM THE COURAGE OF EVER-LASTING LIFE STILL RUNS, DEEP AND STRONG; MEN WHO KNOW THEIR MESSAGE AND TELL IT; MEN WHO KNOW THEIR PLACE AND FILL IT; MEN WHO KNOW THEIR BUSINESS AND AFRAID TO IT; MEN WHO WILL NOT LIE, SHIRK OR DODGE; MEN WHO ARE NOT TOO LAZY TO WORK, NOR TOO PROUD TO BE POOR; MEN WHO ARE WILLING TO EAT WHAT THEY HAVE EARNED AND WEAR WHAT THEY HAVE PAID FOR; MEN WHO ARE NOT AFRAID TO SAY 'NO' WITH EMPHASIS AND WHO ARE NOT ASHAMED TO SAY 'I CAN'T AFFORD IT.'

ANONYMOUS

OLD RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Olaf Sorenson Succumbs After Short Illness

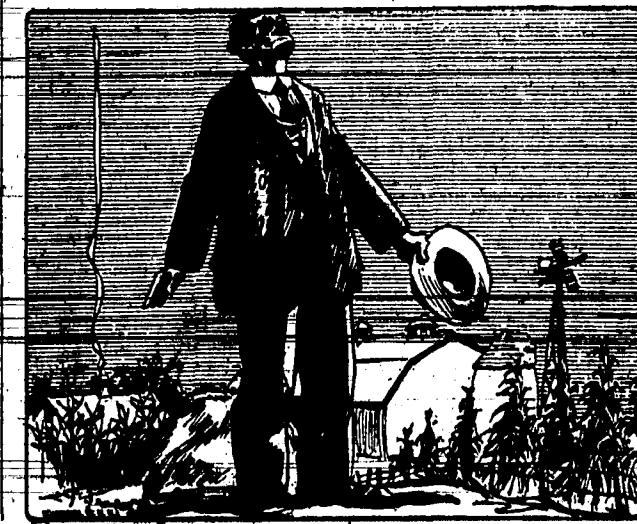
JUVENILE BOOKS TWP. LIBRARY

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Bobbsey Twins in the Country	Children of the Tenements
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Dorothy at Skyrne	Buster Bears Twins
The Ashbury Twins	Little Prudy
The Meadow Brook Girls Across Country	Summer
Nancy Rutledge	Monarch The Big Bear
Muriel's New Friends	Mr. Mocker
Rebecca of Sunny Brook Farm	Out of the Dark
New Chronicles of Rebecca	Grandfather Frog
Polly Anna	Adventures of Prickly Porky
Three Sides of Paradise Green	Fifty Famous People
Black-Beauty	Krag and Johnny Bear
Heidi	Monarchs
The Lonesomest Doll	Light Foot the Deer
Mrs. Peter Rabbit	The Arkansas Bear
Children's Book of Patriotic Stories	The Black Panther of the Navaho
Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates	Alice's Visit to the Hawaiian Island
Tom Swift and His Chest of Secrets	The Soldier Boy
Tom Swift in the City of Gold	The Lonesomest Doll
Only a Farm Boy	Adventures of Sammy Jay
Army Boys in the Big Drive	White Foot the Wood Mouse
Baseball Joe in the World Series	Sticker
Our Young Acrobine Scouts in Turkey	Light Foot the Deer
Lost in the Great Dismal Swamp	The Arkansas Bear
The Prince and the Pauper	The Black Panther of the Navaho
In the Tigers Lair	Alice's Visit to the Hawaiian Island
The Story of King Arthur	The Soldier Boy
Anderson's Fairy Tales	American Boys Book of Bugs, Butterflies and Beetles
A Boy Scouts Success	Rainbow Valley
Adventures of Tom Sawyer	Bird Stories from Burroughs
Huckleberry Finn	The Story of Lady Rabbit
Adventures of Captain Kettle	Emmy Lou Her Book and Heart
The Young Forester	Roy Scouts in the Dismal Swamp
The Making of an American	Red Women
The Bird Boys Among the Clouds	Uncle Rutherford's Attic
The Aviators Flight for a Fortune	Story of a Bad Boy
The Yellow Quill Girl	Brewster's Millions
Riders of the Purple Sage	Dutch Courage and Other Stories
Personality Plus	Grandfathers Chair
His Pa's Romance	Girl Scouts in the Adirondacks
	Girl Scouts at Danellion Camp
	Call of the Wild
	Anne of Avonlea

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Thanks



Athletic Supper

Friday Evening
December 2nd
5:00 to 7:00 O'Clock

High School Gymnasium

Mrs. Englund, Mgr. 35 and 50 Cents

SPORTSMEN'S BANQUET

Michelson Memorial Church

John Wilfred Greenwood, Minister

At 10:30 a.m. the pastor will give the fourth address in the series of character studies. The theme will be

"Andrew, the man who knew HOW to make up his mind."

At 7:30 p.m. the most alluring program yet prepared will be given. The excellent moving picture entitled "Little Jimmie's Prayer" a two-reel Moving Picture Story on answered prayer will be thrown on the screen. The minister will speak on the theme "Echoes from the Garden of Gethsemane" and the service will close with a dramatic presentation of the Evening prayer. You will enjoy this program on "Prayer".

A Thought for the Week.

Has it occurred to you that there are many uncomfortable things in our world which do not minister to the spirit of thanksgiving? Some people are going to have much bitterness in their hearts on this day because they are feeling hurt of life's injustices. Beside the sewing table chained and bent.

They stitch for the lady tyrannous and proud.



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With their extra picture-making ability, modern Kodaks assume a most important role in the Christmas gift field.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1927

WANTED—Every boy and girl in Crawford county to read "The Message to Garcia" that is printed on the first page of this issue of the Avalanche. Almost any boy and girl here can be a "Rowan" if he tries. But it takes brains and courage, the spirit of adventure under trying conditions, it takes bravery and an abundance of resourcefulness. Let this article be an inspiration to help you to win greater contests and higher laurels than you have ever before hoped to do. It is not necessary to await an opportunity to carry a message to some certain Cuban general, but instead there are deeds to be done almost any day in which a boy may distinguish himself if he applies the wisdom of a "Rowan."

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

American women are now the best dressed in the world, according to a French style expert. What does he mean dressed?

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler says that thinking is a lost art. It might also be said that the people are voting as they think.

Now that a device has been invented for measuring one billionth of an inch the sandwich-makers should be able to slice their ham a little thinner. Sioux City Tribune.

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Privately it's our guess that Bill Thompson has forfeited all chances of ever getting one of those Rhodes scholarships.

A New York minister says that one of the tasks of the church is to build a world peace. And of course a good start could be made by ironing out all the differences between the churches themselves.

Lord Cecil urges John Bull to reduce his armaments first as an example to the rest of the world, but we doubt whether John Bull was even listening.

It is said that the audiences broke into tears when Mustapha Kemal finished that six-day speech. Maybe the audience was sad because it had to awaken.

All sorts of farm relief schemes are offered but none of them we venture to say, will beat the system of yearly planting and careful cultivation coupled with favorable weather.

According to statistics just published most New Yorkers eat their apples raw. But they try to feed the rest of the country applesauce.

Mussolini by edict has abolished public speeches as a waste of time. We trust the Senate will take some sort of action about this. It looks like a personal affront.

Referring to the naval conference Lloyd George asks: "If either Great Britain or America had said 'war between Great Britain and the United States is so inconceivable that we will agree to any proposal so long as it reduces armaments' what would have happened?" That's an easy one. John Bull would have said to Uncle Sam: "All right, Sam, you reduce first."

The fact that a number of Democratic leaders are insisting on cutting taxes below what the treasury experts call the danger point, may mean that the Democrats don't expect to have to pay the running expenses of the government even after next year.

The Swiss government has raised duties on American made motor cars which will furnish a further cause for rejoicing on the part of America's internationalist free traders.

Wilda Bennett, the musical comedy star, was sued for a dental bill of \$5 for the filing of her horse's tooth. Doubtless she is glad she didn't have a pet elephant.

It is said that the Viennese are starting a movement to have the League of Nations seat moved from Geneva to Vienna. We thought the Austrians had had enough trouble already.

Will Rogers suggests that Al Smith wait until 1928 to run and let somebody else have the Democratic nomination in 1928. Wonder if this is Bill's opening move toward getting the nomination for himself?

A New York man has held his breath six minutes. By all means elect him to Congress. Boston Transcript.

Woman's logic doesn't seem so inferior after you listen to a man's reason for liking a particular prize-fighter. Detroit News.

It seems the weather furnished ample protection against air attacks from the eastern part of the world. Toledo Blade.

The college professor who drove a taxi in New York for his health is unique. Few, if any, New York taxi drivers follow the vocation for their health. Seattle Times.

Bootleg whiskey may be a success in the fuel tank of an automobile, but it will never do the steering wheel any good. Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

As for us, if we lived in Mexico we wouldn't want to be even mentioned for President. Dallas News.

THREE MILLION COLLECTED IN GAS TAX

With the advent of the three cent gas tax on September 5 of this year the State collected a total of \$3,083,081 during September alone, according to figures made public today by the State Highway Department and the Detroit Automobile Club. During September of this year under the three cent law, the State collected \$2,085,336.05 more than during the same month last year.

This tremendous increase in the gas tax funds is attributable, according to Thomas P. Henry, chairman of the anti-gas tax committee of the automobile club, to the fact that the State in September under the new law not only started the three cent collection, but also started to collect from gasoline companies on all gasoline-contained-in-storage prior to its sale at retail.

This, Mr. Henry says, resulted in an additional amount being paid into the state coffers—although several companies had refused to pay this tax before selling it to the ultimate consumer. It can readily be seen, however, Mr. Henry points out, that if the Supreme Court declares the gas tax constitutional or refuses to grant a referendum on the act as per any of the cases now pending before it, that a tremendous amount of money will be collected by the State this year on the three cent tax.

Mr. Henry points out that the largest month that the State ever had in its collection of the gas tax was August of this year, when it collected \$1,813,562.95 under the old two cent tax. He estimates that during the heavy touring season next spring and summer, if this act is allowed to stand, the State will collect double this amount.

Important Consideration

One who says that it is better to complain to a man in his face than to do it behind his back forgets to mention that it all depends on the size of the man.

Come in Effect?

A swelled head usually connects a swelled brain. Wall Street Journal.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

Nov. 21st, 1927
The Woman's Club held their third meeting of the year last Monday evening at the Grayling Social Club rooms.

Mrs. Chan Gothard and Miss Isa Granger were the hostesses for the evening.

In celebration of book week, the members are making a collection of children's books which they expect will be placed at the disposal of the township library.

Mrs. A. J. Joseph contributed a nice selection of books among them being a set of Eugene Field's books for children.

Mrs. Gothard read a very well written paper on the first French explorers and the early French settlements in Michigan.

Miss Isa Granger read very nicely prepared papers by Mrs. Speck and herself on the early settlement of Michigan by the English and very clearly portrayed the conspiracy of the Indian Chief Pontiac to massacre and abolish the first English settlements in Michigan.

FREDERIC FLASHERS
Hunters are plentiful, carrying out some deer.

Mrs. Clarence Shephard and children from Roscommon, spent the week end visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Forbush in Maple Forest.

Mrs. Earl Marshall and son Melvin of Grayling were looking after their farm in Maple Forest one day last week.

Mrs. James Patterson is not as well as usual, we are informed.

The heavy wind storm that we had a week ago, blew the big window out of the Charles Marker home in Maple Forest.

The meetings that are being held in the church, are quite interesting.

Frederic School Notes

Editor—Mary Bender.
Assistant Editor—Doris Corasut.

All of our teachers attended the Institute at Gaylord last Friday and Saturday. Mr. Payne gave us some very interesting thoughts taken from a lecture given by Superintendent Pearce.

The Geometry class has finished the study of polygons and are ready for Book Two which takes up the study of circles.

The American History Class has prepared biographies of Franklin, Washington and Jefferson in connection with their daily recitations.

The English Class has finished the study of "The Merchant of Venice."

Every one enjoyed it very much. A number of quotations were memorized.

The Botany Class is studying Spirogyra which was gathered in one of the nearby ponds. This green slimy material looks more interesting under the microscope and the descriptions of it in the Text Book now seem more real.

We were glad to have Mrs. Wallace who was Assistant Principal last year, visit our High school Wednesday.

Some excuses offered to Mr. Hall for disliking the fifteen minute talks in History every week:

Doris—"It makes me nervous."

Olive—"I can't think of anything to say."

Mary—"When I get up to talk I forget half of it."

Helen is looking for some one who can draw circles.

Miss Hawkes—"Can everyone see this board?"

Carl—"Yes, we can see the board alright but can't see what you have written on it."

Doris to Mr. Payne—"Mary picked my books up by mistake and took them home."

Mr. Payne—"That will never do, you would be getting each other's lessons instead of your own."

Imagine the expressions when the Geometry class started to leave the room and found the door locked. We thought Geometry bad enough without being locked in the room besides."

Tie A Sad Day

When Mr. Payne starts asking questions.

When Miss Hawkes gives a written lesson.

When Mr. Hall calls for history notes books.

Mr. Payne after being absent Thursday, could not find the exact place in his Physics book. He greatly surprised every one by asking questions which had been answered long before and promptly forgotten. After assigning a lesson, he discovered his mistake. Tuesday morning he again gave us a great surprise by giving a written lesson.

Our new volley ball is in great demand. It was given to us by Superintendent Pearce of Lansing.

We all enjoy our recess again.

The Sixth Grade has finished the study of the Great Lakes. They discovered many interesting things.

Erma Barber holds a close second. Thecordora Parsons and Doris Leng are regular Friday visitors.

During the story hour we are reading "Fairy Tales from Far and Near."

Miss Barber and Mrs. O'Dell have a useful "First Aid Kit."

We have filled several Christmas boxes for the Red Cross.

A hearty welcome is extended to all Mrs. O'Dell, teacher.

Primary Notes

Where were we last week? Guess we were too busy to make school notes but we are here this week again.

Last Friday our boys and girls had a vacation owing to Teachers Institute at Gaylord.

Perfect spellers last week were:

Bartha Pratt, Floyd Gern, and James Thornton in the second grade.

Roy Pratt was absent last week on account of sickness.

We wish to thank Mr. Leeman for taking care of our plants during our short vacation.

We have quite a collection of pretty stones and are bringing more each day.

The Second Grade has finished one set of readers and have started on the second set and are doing fine.

Owing to a big puddle of water on the school grounds, Fredrick Richards was late. He fell in and had to go to the basement and dry his clothes.

A few more new books were added to our library. We now have around fifteen new Primary books.

Why don't our parents visit us?

We hope every one will have a Thanksgiving. Don't eat too much.

Esther Barber
Esther Barber, teacher

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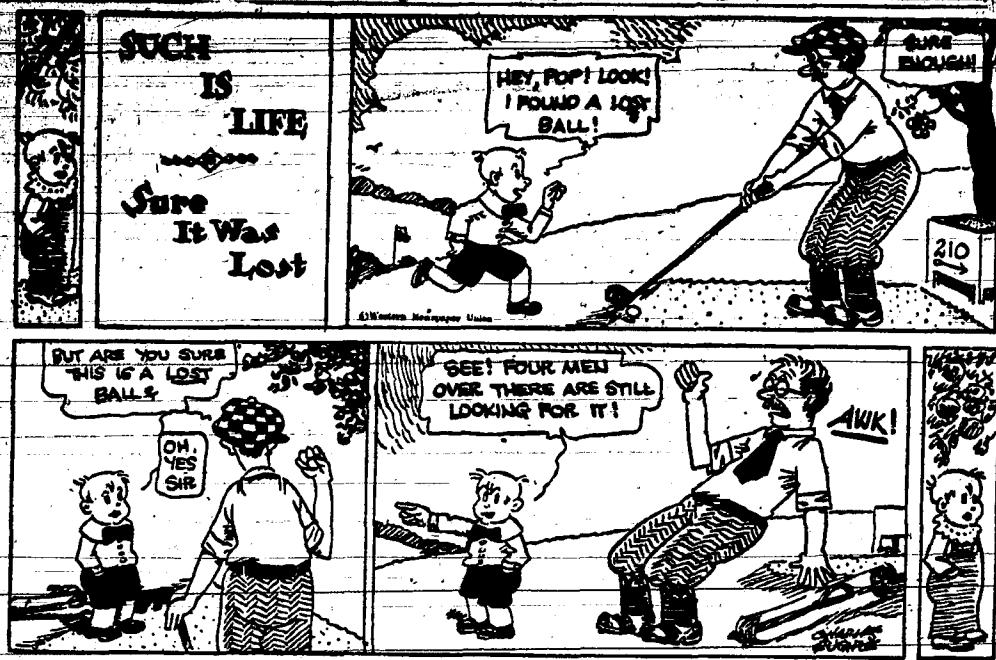
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Interesting Events In Grayling 25 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 25 YEARS AGO.

Thursday, Nov. 20, 1902
Mrs. R. P. Forbes returned from a month's visit in Indiana last week. It is reported that the pension of Comrade Chas. Ingerson has been increased to \$17.00. Good for him. W. N. Farris will lecture this coming M. E. church Wednesday evening, Dec. 3d. Subject—Success. Don't fail to hear him.

Our new press is here and places us in better shape than ever to do satisfactory job work. It is a Gordon, 13x19, and a jin-slick.

Miss Cameron of Detroit, was present at the marriage of Miss Coventry, last week, remaining until Saturday.

Miss Julia Phelps went to Marietta, Ohio, last week, and will go to her home in Washington, D. C., in time for her thanksgiving turkey.

According to reports to the Detroit "Tribune" C. R. Mickelson has bought the lumber business of Hartwick and Mickelson, at Mason, and E. E. Hartwick has bought the business of the Jackson Coal and Lumber Company at Jackson. Both are Grayling boys, going to the front as usual.

Dr. Jas. A. Leighton is moving to Kalkaska, where he will open a store in connection with his professional work. The good wishes of hosts of friends, who recognize his skill as a physician and worth as a citizen, will follow them to their new home.

B. P. Johnson's saloon in Frederic was burglarized Sunday morning, before day, and the cash register carried away, but found later in the woods. One suspect has been arrested.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Masters have been in town, this week, busy as bees. He took a rifle to protect himself while he was looking over some land, and Mrs. Masters tried to see all her friends while he was gone, but hadn't time to get half around.

A quiet wedding was celebrated Wednesday evening, November 12th, at the residence of County Treasurer J. J. Coventry, in the presence of the families of the contracting parties—Miss Eliza Coventry and Samuel Phelps, Esq., Rev. Goldie officiating. They took the midnight express for Washington, D. C., and will visit other eastern points, returning about December 10th, after which they will be at home on Celus street.

Court Grayling, 750, Foresters, organized a Companion Court at the ball Tuesday evening, with twenty-four charter members, ending with a banquet by the members of the Court. This was a master stroke on the part of the Court as they will expect the ladies to do the banquet act hereafter. Men are N. G. without the better part of the community.

School Notes

Editor, William Envolson. High school
Mr. Kelly, member of the state board of education, was a caller Friday. He visited our physics class and spoke very highly of the work done.

Net proceeds from "The Deacon" \$80.28, making the amount on hand \$80.28.

Plane Geometry begin proportion in December.

We are going to Rosecomen with "The Deacon" in the near future.

We hope to have our school catalog this week.

Solid Geometry class is closing up the work in cones and pyramids.

Dr. C. H. O'Neil was called to Wafer Sunday night.

Mrs. Johnson is organist at the church and fills the position beautifully.

TERROR OF THE UNKNOWN

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

THEIR troubles and the pains which we contemplate are generally far more serious than those which we have experienced. I am to have a tooth extracted tomorrow, and I shudder at the thought, and yet as I recall the dental experiences which I have previously gone through, I found them not nearly so dreadful as I had anticipated. I am to meet an angry and disgruntled parent this afternoon, who will have come five hundred miles to voice his dissatisfaction at the way his offspring has been mentally handled by his instructors and the administration generally. I dread the ordeal, and yet I know I shall get through it quite amicably when the moment arrives.

Seventh Grade.

Holger Clausen feels very proud.

Why? Spelled down the high school.

The tenth grade physics will study sound during December.

Sixth Grade.

The sixth grade is reviewing for the tests which comes this coming Thursday and Friday.

For the roll of honor, 6th grade: First honors, Anna Rasmussen; Second honors, Marie Larson and Hazel Wilson.

All say "The Deacon" was very good.

The sixth grade pupils are taking up decimals.

Seventh Grade.

In these dark days it has been very hard to study.

Most of us now understand standard time.

Arithmetic has been a hard study for some this week.

"The Deacon" last Friday night was very nice.

In arithmetic we are studying interest.

Frederic Items

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young now occupy their new home opposite the school house.

Messrs. Pompey and Holden, two prominent citizens of Standish, in company with the Messrs. Chappell, went out east hunting. They became separated. One party finding an attractive marsh did repeated firing. The other party thinking perhaps they had got into a drove of deer became alarmed, fearing the deer had stampeded and there was danger of being run over, they quietly laid down by some logs until all danger was past.

Several ladies from here visited their sister Hiva at Grayling recently, and all had a perfectly lovely time.

"Won't tomorrow be an awful day!" she said. It was the terror of the unknown and the inexperienced which was taking hold of her. When she met it, she found that her fears had been for nothing. She had had a very happy day she announced when she came home at night, and through the years that followed, the experience continued. When it was through, there were tears in her eyes again because the experience which she had so dreaded was over.

Mr. Frank Ward was here the past week, looking over the mill plant.

Mr. Will Porter is erecting a neat cottage. I wonder who will occupy it. We are listening for wedding bells soon.

Miss Louise Bandy, a school teacher of Cheboygan, quiet well known in society circles in Grayling and Frederic, was recently married to a prominent citizen of Cheboygan, several from here attended the wedding.

Mrs. Nellie Remmington is confined to the house. Dr. O'Neil is attending her.

Mrs. Niva Carruthers has returned from an extended visit to Durand, Detroit and Windsor.

Last Saturday night between one and four o'clock in the morning some one or more entered B. P. Johnson's saloon through the transom, after which they could open the door. The register was found in the back yard, minus from ten to fifteen dollars, the exact amount not known.

Mr. Jerome Fisher was called to Standish to attend the funeral of his brother in law who was shot while out hunting. In creeping through a brush pile his gun went off, severing an artery in his leg from which he died three hours later.

A load of wood would be kindly received by our pastor for warming the church. Any one in the country coming to town would do a great favor by putting some in their wagon and dumping it at the church door, and will add a star to his crown.

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LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1927

We always have Shoe Bargains to offer at Olson's.

New Victor Records every Friday at Central Drug Store.

Mrs. George Burke is ill at Mercy hospital.

Mrs. Hans L. Peterson, left Sunday for Ann Arbor where she is taking treatments.

Fred Alexander is driving a new Nash, purchased from local dealer, T. E. Douglas.

Claude Gilson of Detroit is enjoying the hunting season in this section of the state.

Mrs. Thomas Thom of St. Thomas, Ont., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Fournier and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parker of Lansing were week end guests at the Herbert E. Parker home.

Velma Barger and Huri Deckrow of Flint, were guests of relatives and friends over the week end.

Mrs. Frank Malloy left for Chicago Tuesday night to spend Thanksgiving and a few days with her mother.

Miss Dolly Nelson who has been attending high school here is section this week for Flint to attend school.

Don't forget the dance to be given at the Temple Theatre, Thursday, November 24th. Good music awaits you.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kinneer are receiving congratulations on the birth of a nine pound daughter born Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Zalsman are enjoying a visit from their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Zalsman, of Detroit.

Mrs. Menne Conwin returned from Rose City, Friday where she has been visiting the past week with her parents.

The Ladies Aid society of the Michelson Memorial church will hold their next regular meeting Dec. 2nd at the home of Mrs. E. J. Olson.

Walter Hemmingson of Detroit is spending the season hunting as he has done for years. He is visiting his father, Chris Hemmingson and family.

Ernest Larson, 19 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Larson, had the misfortune to accidentally shoot one of the toes of his right foot, Saturday morning. Ernest was preparing to go deer hunting and was just leaving the house when the accident happened. In closing the door the trigger of his gun caught in some way, discharging.

-Don't forget! The Athletic banquet at the School Gym, December 2. Be there!

Eat and make merry on Thanksgiving. Dance in the evening at the Temple theatre.

Dog licenses are due and payable December 1st, according to Wm. Ferguson, county treasurer. These may be paid to him or to your own township treasurer, as preferred.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebenezer Hanson and Mrs. Oscar Hanson left Monday to spend a few days in Detroit and on Thursday will leave there to go to New York for a few days visit.

Archie McNeven suffered a slight paralytic stroke at the home of his son Peter the last of the week. Mr. McNeven is 93 years old and has been a resident of Grayling for many years.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion will hold a card party at the American Legion Hall, Saturday evening. Price of admission 25c. Everybody come and enjoy a good time.

The dance that was held at the Temple Theatre Saturday evening was attended by a goodly crowd from Grayling and our neighboring cities. Music was furnished by the Harold McNeven orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith and daughter of Holland, are visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith and family. Elmer will enjoy a few days hunting while in this vicinity.

Mrs. Margaret Burton accompanied her son-in-law, Harry E. Simpson to Monroe where she will visit her daughter Mrs. Simpson for a few weeks before going to Caldwells where she will make her home permanently.

The Ladies Auxiliary and the American Legion Post 106, held a social meeting at the American Legion Hall, Tuesday evening. Each order held their regular meeting in the early part of the evening after which they enjoyed a pot luck supper.

Mrs. S. LaVenture has been seriously ill at her home here necessitating the cutting home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Galbraith of Wyandotte and granddaughter, Mrs. Geo. Schmidt of Detroit. They came Sunday night and returned to their homes Wednesday.

Mr. Edward Creque, Sr. of Flint, is enjoying the hunting season at his cabin on the Main stream of the Au Sable. He is expecting his son, Edward Jr., to arrive Thursday from the Upper Peninsula where he has been hunting the past week and succeeded in filling his license.

Wm. Mueller and Homer La Foile stopped enroute to their home in Manistique Sunday, and visited with the Misses Norma Burdette and Alice Lundvall. Miss Lundvall accompanied them to Manistique Monday to remain over Thanksgiving.

We now have the heavy wool stock for children for 50c at Olson's.

See the beautiful Felt and Leather House slippers at Olson's.

Buy solid leather mens work shoes, \$2.50 and up at Olson's.

Miss Marguerite Montour of Bay City spent the week end at her home here.

Waldmar Olson is on the road with the Dempsey and Tunney fight pictures.

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport, left Thursday for a few days visit in Detroit.

Mrs. Adolph Peterson was in West Branch a few days last week visiting her grandmother, who is ill.

Try our Hot Chocolate with wafers and whipped cream. You will like it.

Central Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gierke entertained a few friends at a dinner party at their home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skingley and family of Mancelona are spending Thanksgiving with relatives in this vicinity.

R. J. Peterson, Carlyle Brown and Harold Schmidt are in Rogers City this week doing some landscape gardening.

Miss Molly Johnson and Walter Bosworth of Bay City visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Johnson and family.

The Athletic banquet will be held at the School Gym, December 2. Managed by Mrs. England. All you can eat for 35c and 50c.

Mrs. Marius Hanson returned from a ten days visit in Detroit Saturday. Miss Lucille who accompanied her remained for a longer visit.

Among those in attendance at the Michigan-Minnesota football game Saturday were Drs. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport, Supt. and Mrs. B. E. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Murray returned to their home in Detroit Sunday after spending a few days at their cabin on the Au Sable. They came to enjoy a few days of the hunting season.

Attorneys W. L. Townsend and E. A. Bilitzke of Gaylord were in Grayling Tuesday on professional business. Mrs. Townsend accompanied them visiting Mrs. H. C. McKinley while here.

The boys and girls of the 5th and 6th grades are going to make a house to house canvas Friday morning, beginning at nine o'clock for old clothes for the Health center. Have your bundles ready for them when they call.

Mrs. Charles Trombley returned from Royal Oak Monday, where she has been visiting for the past couple of weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Bradley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ireland returned last Wednesday to their home in Indiana after spending the summer at their cottage on Shoepack lake near Lovells.

Miss Vella Hermann entertained her sewing club Monday evening. A delicious lunch was served by Miss Hermann assisted by Miss Kathryn Brown.

Oscar Deckrow and mother, Mrs. F. R. Deckrow drove up from Flint Saturday. Oscar returned Monday and Mrs. Deckrow will remain for about two weeks.

Miss Thressa Lindstrom is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents at Sault Ste. Marie. She was accompanied by Miss Thana Smith, who will be her guest over the holidays.

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The men enjoyed a few days hunting while here. Mrs. Smith was formerly Bernice McNeven.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Trudeau Jr., and son returned to Ithaca Sunday after spending a week visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Trudeau, Sr. Miss Gertrude Trudeau accompanied them home to spend a few weeks.

As we go to press we are informed of the death of Archie McNeven, at the home of his son Peter McNeven, at 11:00 o'clock this noon. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Services at Michelson Memorial church. Further particulars in our next issue.

J. Fred Alexander has a brand new Nash Special Six Four-Door Coupe, which he purchased from T. E. Douglas, the local dealer. It is a design that has just been created and certainly is handsome. Mr. Douglas also delivered at the same time an Advance Six Victoria to place in stock.

Lou Herbison and Pete Davidson returned from the Upper Peninsula Sunday where they were enjoying a few days of the hunting season. They say there is too much snow up north to do very much successful deer hunting, so they will probably sneak out on the quiet to see what they can do here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tetu and children are spending Thanksgiving with Mrs. Tetu's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of West Branch.

Wm. Hathaway of Lansing, a landscape gardener, was here last week and set out a quantity of shrubbery at the M. A. Bates home. Mr. Bates says it was a surprise to him that he feels certain that the yard is going to be especially attractive next season.

Mr. and Mrs. William Feldhauser of Ann Arbor visited relatives and friends here a few days last week. While here Mr. Feldhauser spent part of his time hunting. Mr. Feldhauser is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Feldhauser and Mrs. Feldhauser is a sister of Mrs. Clark Yost and Jess Schoonover. Both Mr. and Mrs. Feldhauser found many friends here and in Maple Forest where they were progressive farmers for many years, who were glad to have a friendly visit again. Mr. Feldhauser is working for the Economy Baiter Co. in Ann Arbor and Mrs. Feldhauser conducts a rooming house near the new University hospital where she says her 17 beds are nearly always occupied. They surely were welcome visitors in the old home town.

Buy Iron Clad Hosiery for men, women and children at Olson's.

Take your Prescriptions to Central Drug Store.

We have all kinds of Artics, Slippers and Rubbers at Olson's.

Miss Naomi Hanson spent the week end in Detroit visiting relatives and friends.

A number of our local teachers attended the Teacher's Institute held in Gaylord last Friday.

Don Reynolds is in Cheboygan this week on business for the Michigan Public Service Company.

Don't miss the dance tonight (Thursday) at the Temple theatre Music by McNeven's orchestra.

Corwin Auto Sales have just brought in a new Hudson Sedan and a Star Sedan and have them on display.

Order your engraved Christmas Cards now! You will get better work and be sure to have them in time.

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Carpentry for Beginners
The Slim Princess
A B C of Electricity
Harpers Electricity Book for Boys
Harpers Indoor Book for Boys
Harpers Machinery Book for Boys
Emma
Pride and Prejudice
Uncle Sams Soldiers
The Pilgrims Progress
My Life as an Indian
Apauk Caller of Buffalo
Lone Bulls Mistake
Wild Animals at Home
Treasure Island
Whees Jean and I were Sophomores
Polly Ollivers Problems
Five Little Peppers and how They grew
Old Four Toes
Lost with Lieutenant Pike
The Cruise of the Dazzler
The Dreadful River-Cave
Blackfeet Tales of Glacier National Park
Lives of Girls who became famous
Days and Deeds
Rolf in the Woods
Two Little Savages
Woodland Tales
A Girl from America
Home Life in all Lands
Quick Silver Sue
Building an Airship at Silver Fox Farm
Wrecked on Spider Island
Old Ben
Courageous Girls
Wolfville Days
Adventures of Poor Mrs. Quak
The Lonesomest Doll
Trees Every Child Should Know
Wild Flowers Every Child Should Know
Around the World in Eighty Days
John and Jack
Work—A Story of experience
Hawthornes Book of Recitations
I Go A Fishing
Brook Trout
Captain Jack Lorimer
Famous American Naval Commanders
Tennessee Mountains
Penrod
Eugene Field's Book of Poems
Gold Smith's Book of Poems
Games for the Play-Ground
The Tent in the Notch
Cynthia's Chausseur
Boys Book of Mounted Police
Robbie's Dog and Friends
The Bremen and the Gobblins
The Donovan Chance
The Magic Forest
Daddy Long Legs
Holding a Boy
Sea Side and Way Side. Books 1, 2, 3, 4
The House with the Twisting Passage
The Radio Detectives
The Radio Detectives Southward bound
The Radio Detectives under sea
The Boy Scouts on Swift River
The Boy Scouts of Woodcraft Camp
The Mystery of Ram Island
Hero Tales of the Far North
Through College on nothing a year
The Story of the Other Wise Man
Jesus' Wonders—Witchcraft
Just Patti
Children's Bible Stories
In the Great Wild North
Thirty one years on the plains and mountains
Thirty One Years on the Plains and Mountains
Mrs. ER and Policy Ann
Pawnee Dog of Belgium
Gray Squirrel
Aaron in the Wild Woods
Milk
Self Raised
Johnson
The Camp-Fire Girls Solve a Mystery
The Story of the Man
Sally Brown and His Sister Sue on Auto Tour
The Story of One Little Dutch Girl
The Story of the Angel

Program Outlined for Valley Association Meeting to Be Held in St. Louis.

St. Louis.—A billion-dollar program for flood control and waterway development extending over a period of ten years will be submitted to the delegates attending the ninth annual convention of the Mississippi Valley association to be held here November 14 and 15, James E. Smith, president of the association, announced. Approximately 1,000 delegates from all sections of the country are expected to attend the meeting, one of the most important in the association's history.

Outstanding among the questions that will be presented to the convention will be advisability of recommending to congress the adoption of the ten-year program involving the ultimate expenditure of \$1,000,000,000, or a total of \$100,000,000 a year. The program as tentatively outlined by Mr. Smith includes:

The improvement and use of all navigable rivers of the country as mediums of cheap transportation.

The further improvement and development of the ocean and Great Lakes harbors of the country.

The building of dams for hydroelectric power and to aid the navigability of certain rivers.

The building of storage basins to provide for the irrigation of arid lands.

The construction of spillways, where needed, for the control of floods.

The building of levees, for protection against floods upon all rivers where such protection is necessary in the judgment of the board of the United States army engineers.

The reclamation of swamp areas and the use of such nonproductive land for agricultural purposes, fish, game and wild life preserves.

The building of reservoirs to hold back the flowage of surplus waters until needed for any purpose and especially to prevent floods.

The reforestation of denuded forest areas to make provision for the necessary timber supply for our future needs.

Development of hydro-electric energy to be economically distributed to the numerous industries now and hereafter to be located in the Mississippi valley.

The convention, according to Mr. Smith, also will likely ask congress to pass legislation authorizing additional appropriations to care for the extension of the federal barge service and additional equipment for the services already in existence; to pass the annual \$50,000,000 river and harbors bill; a more definite policy for the American merchant marine, and to continue the diversion of waters from Lake Michigan into the Illinois river, which is declared to be vital to the successful operation of the federal barge line on the lower Mississippi river.

Among the speakers on the program are Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce; Dwight F. Davis, secretary of war; Gen. John J. Pershing, United States Senators James A. Reed, Missouri, and J. T. Robinson, Arkansas; Maj. Gen. Edgar Juddin, chief of the engineering corps of the United States army, and Col. Charles A. Lindbergh.

All of the important projects which are itemized in the proposed program are component and necessary parts of the undertaking, which if carried through carefully must be completed in its entirety," Mr. Smith said.

The time has come for congress to meet the responsibility which now rests upon that representative body controlling the destinies of the nation. Congress alone can furnish the ways and means for the inauguration and consummation of the greatest national program, for the full development of our nation's resources, that has ever been undertaken by the government. And congress will meet the situation through the insistence of the organized force of the Mississippi valley territory."

Honor U. S. War Dead Flyers
Washington.—The War department has been advised by the American embassy in Rome of the unveiling of a bronze tablet in the cathedral at Foglia, Italy, to James C. Schofield of Peterborough, N. H., and other American aviators who lost their lives at a flying field there during the World war.

10,000 Naturalized in 4 Weeks
Chicago.—The federal courts of Chicago have naturalized 10,000 citizens of other nations in the last four weeks.

Parents, 2 Children Cremated
Glasgow, Ky.—Earl Nichols, farmer and stockman, his wife and two children, met death when their home was destroyed by fire.

Hangs Self to Tombstone
New York.—August Schwab, fifty-three, recently placed an elaborate tombstone over his wife's grave. Recently police found his body hanging from the top of the marble, his feet dangling over the well-kept mound.

Kemal Re-Elected President
Angora, Turkey.—Mustapha Kemal Pasha, leading figure in Turkey politics since the war, was elected to another term as President of the Turkish republic without opposition.

Civilization Cycles
The eight cycles of civilization may refer to the Chinese cycle, the Japanese, the Phoenician, Egyptian, Babylonian, Roman, Greeks and the present cycle.

Its Own Publicity
We cannot see why a newspaper should be devoted to the discoveries of Columbus and the big Pop meeting, Dec. 8. Come on, come on. Spread the public word by High school orchestra.

School Notes

Editor: Marius Hanson, Isbrand Harder, Ellen Speck.

Most of the boys who went deer hunting last week are back in school. Many of them have learned that their deer is right here in school.

Our debating team had its first debate Saturday night, with the Kingsley High school team. The speakers on our team were: Earl Gierke, Edward Mason, and Frederick Mason. Both teams gave interesting speeches and the arguments advanced were very convincing.

The judges were: Mr. Payne of Frederic, Miss Evans of Gaylord and Mr. Lynch of Elmira. The decision of these judges was 2 to 1 in favor of Kingsley.

We expect a better attendance to our next debate which will be here on Dec. 9. The subject for debate, "Resolve that the Primary system of nominations should be abolished", is a very important one and should be of interest to everyone. Come on folks let's show a little school spirit!

The Boys club has put several new games in their club rooms.

The boys have begun practicing basket ball. Our first game will be on Dec. 10.

Amos Hunter, as we all know, translates all sayings, ads and signs literally. Not long ago he was in Detroit. He walked into a law office because the sign on the door read "walk in". He was shown out, of course, and stood for a moment gazing at the door and then went on down the street. Next he went into a pawn shop and demanded ten dollars. Upon being asked why he should be given ten dollars, he replied, "That sign in the window says, 'Look at this watch for ten dollars'." I looked at it and now I want my ten dollars."

"I hate to see Christmas come," said a clerk in one of the stores when asked why he thought of the "Shop Early" effort. "If the buying public could go through with the experiences which we pass through each year I am quite sure, everyone would do his utmost to select his holiday merchandise before the last few days of the season is turned into almost a hideous nightmare for us, and we drop almost exhausted at closing time on Christmas Eve, and Christmas means to us very little, if any pleasure."

No one in Grayling wishes to see the Christmas holidays anything but a season of pleasure for everyone, and so the Avalanche takes this opportunity to urge upon everyone in its vicinity to do whatever shopping they intend to do this year, before the last few days prior to Dec. 25. By spreading the buying period over a longer time, a better selection can be made, more courteous and efficient service will be shot if they set foot on the property. Machine guns were mounted behind barbed-wire entanglements, and the gunners had orders to shoot any trespassers. A large band of pickets led by a woman were turned back Wednesday by these warlike preparations. Meanwhile the I. W. W. through their official paper, were calling for "all footloose rebels" in the country to flock to Colorado to aid the strikers.

Central—Number Please?
Howard.—"What numbers have you?"

The following was received by a firm of piano makers:

"Dear sir:

Please send a string for my piano.

Have the string tuned to G before you send it, as my brother can put it in but can't tune it.

Corine Sheldon

P. S. It's the G on the right side of the piano."

Gerald H.—"Do you believe in the devil?"

Shirley S.—"No, it's like Santa Claus. It's your father."

We suggest a new outdoor sport to occupy your minds while driving your car through tourist traffic. It consists of recording the humorous signs seen on the back ends of passing flivvers. Here is the collection of one week:

"The you love to touch."

"True love—it never runs smooth."

"Lincoln's poor relative."

"Plenty of room ahead—don't push."

"Your's is a good car too."

"Shiftless but not lazy."

"Sick Cylinder."

"This one also stops at railroad crossings."

"Don't laugh mine's paid for."

The Merry-go-round.

Alas! Alas! My book, I mourn it with a sigh;

On Thursday, when I bought it, a friend was standing by.

She asked if I'd lend it. She'd return it that same night.

And ever since that moment it never has passed my sight.

She lent it to a cousin; and she enjoyed it, too.

She lent it to a neighbor, and kept it on the go;

She lent it to an uncle, who lent it to a friend;

Who lent it to a relative—where will the matter end?

In all this maddening business, the only thing I see,

Perhaps, in all the lending it may be lent to me!

Big Athletic supper Dec. 2. Watch for further announcements.

The 5th and 6th grades

Miss Ashton, Teacher

Many names have been put on the honor roll for the Junior Red Cross. Some pins are to be awarded.

Some special study has been done on the subject of teeth in Hygiene.

We have two new pupils, Lorraine Christensen and Harvey Regan.

We are writing Thanksgiving stories for language.

3rd Grade

Miss Burdette, Teacher

Our room and Miss Hermann's room are to have a Thanksgiving program together.

We have been making booklets on the History of the Pilgrims.

2nd Grade

Miss Schumann, Teacher

We have been making Pilgrim villages from cut-outs.

We have a number of posters of the Pilgrim fathers in our room.

4th Grade

Miss Hermann, Teacher

We are going to have a Thanksgiving play entitled "The First Thanksgiving."

We have just finished our booklets "The Story of The Pilgrims."

4th and 5th Grades

Miss Robb, Teacher

We had a Thanksgiving play Wednesday entitled "The Governor's Proclamation."

5th Grade

Miss Smith, Teacher

The sixth A history class are making outline maps of Columbia's voyage to America. They help a great deal in giving the route clearly and permanently in mind.

DON'T forget the date of the big Pop meeting, Dec. 8. Come on, come on. Spread the public word by High school orchestra.

CHRISTMAS FEELS AROUND THE CORNER

The Christmas holidays are just around the corner.

With only a little more than a month off, the first heralds of the holiday season are already beginning to make their appearance in Grayling.

Here and there in the shop windows one will find hint of Christmas in the offerings. Inside the stores, especially where toys are sold, one will find counters already beginning to fill up especially for this time of the year.

The kids in the family circle around the fire of an evening now are already beginning to count the weeks before old Santa will make his annual visit. With these calculations naturally comes thoughts of what this good old Saint will bring around this year and the youngsters begin planning their letters to him to be sure that he will not overlook their particular wishes when he does make his appearance.

It will only be a matter of a few days now before the holiday buying will be in full swing, and business at the various stores will be on a gradual increase as Dec. 25 draws nearer, and as usual will close with a grand rush on Christmas Eve.

Causes of the disaster was found in the blunder of some one who ordered workmen to repair the largest of the three tanks which was partly filled with gas. One man was using a blow torch when the huge basin, which stood 75 feet above the ground, was blown apart and a great sheet of flame shot a thousand feet upward. A second tank holding 4,000,000 cubic feet of gas and situated about 200 feet away was crushed in; its contents ignited, and a second mighty blaze went up. A third tank, several hundred feet distant, of 500,000 cubic feet capacity and partly filled, was burst asunder by the force of the explosion and its contents added to the vast breath of flame that could be seen for miles.

Nanking—Nationalists gained a big advantage by the collapse of the radical faction at Hankow and its abandonment of that city. The region was immediately overrun by Kwangsi men belonging to the Nanking party. In the struggle of the southerners with the northern armies the former are reported to have met a severe defeat north of Mingkwan. However, Feng, the Christian general, won a three-day battle against Marshal Chang's forces in Shantung province.

WITH the aid of 102 lawyers, Michael Manolescu, former under-secretary of state of Rumania, was acquitted in his trial by court-martial on charges of plotting to place former Crown Prince Carol on the throne. The defense, engineered by General Araszu, bitterly attacked Premier Bratianu and his policies and the result of the trial was admittedly a severe blow to that dictatorial official. One of the defense witnesses, an eminent historian, declared: "One-fourth of the country is against Prince Carol, but Rumania is 75 per cent Carolist." The government fears an uprising of the Carolists and hurriedly put through parliament the new national defense act, which provides

penal servitude and heavy fines for persons who "by word or deed" directly or indirectly seek to overthrow the present monarchical regime.

MOULAY YOUSSEF, sultan of Morocco, seventeenth ruler of his dynasty, died at Fez, chief of his country's capital cities. He was the son of Sultan Moulay Hassan and succeeded his brother, Moulay Hafid, in 1912,